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ELECTION

In response to the Office Action dated 07/26/2002, election is made as follows:

The applicant elects to further prosecute the Examiner's category II, namely claims 8-14 and 18, drawn to an asset class benchmarking process, classified in class 705, subclass 36.

Category I, namely claims 1-7 and 17, and category III, namely claims 15, 16, 19 and 20, are retained in the application pending its ultimate disposal.

Action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

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